



CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

12 July 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Richard Kennedy
NSC Staff

SUBJECT : Response to 30 June 1972 WSAG Request

1. Attached for your use and information only are three (3) copies of the first package prepared in response to the 30 June 1972 WSAG request for maps analyzing possible cease-fire/negotiating positions. The package consists of two inter-related components: one memorandum containing explanatory text and another containing illustrative maps. For security reasons, the package was deliberately constructed so the text will be difficult to comprehend without the relevant maps and the maps virtually meaningless without the explanatory text.

2. As I explained in our 12 July conversation, this package was developed in close consultation with our colleagues in the Departments of State and Defense. We thought until the morning of the 12th -- when Mr. Sullivan and Under Secretary Johnson registered their fundamental objections -- that the package had been approved by State and Defense for submission to the WSAG. Preliminary discussions were held with State and Defense the first week in July. Our approach was discussed in detail at an inter-agency working level meeting on 10 July where both the State and the Defense representatives made various suggestions, all of which were incorporated in the final product. This group saw the sketch proofs of the maps and suggested changes thereon, which were all incorporated. Drafts of the memorandum were hand-carried to Ambassador Sullivan's office and Colonel Farnham's office (in ISA) on 11 July, with the request that any changes be phoned in by COB. Defense cleared both text and maps on the morning of 12 July. State raised no objections until Mr. Sullivan and I met in Under Secretary Johnson's office at 1215 on 12 July.

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3. We ran 25 copies of the attached package. You now have three. The other 22 copies are locked up in my vault, where they will remain unless or until we receive different instructions from the White House.

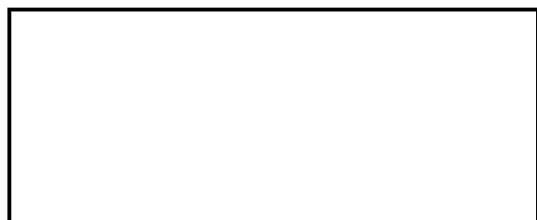
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